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Official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-second session

10:00 — 89th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

[webcast]

Interaction between the United Nations, national parliaments and the Inter-Parliamentary Union - Item 126

Document: A/72/L.54 and A/72/91

15:00 — Informal meeting (closed) — Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal meeting of the plenary to hear a briefing by the Secretary-General on his report on management reform

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 15 May 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Document: A/72/492/Add.2

Security Council

10:00 — 8264th meeting — Security Council Chamber

[webcast]

Adoption of the agenda

Protection of civilians in armed conflict (S/2018/444)

Letter dated 9 May 2018 from the Permanent Representative of Poland to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/2018/444)

Report of the Secretary-General on the protection of civilians in armed conflict (S/2018/462)

Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to no more than four minutes

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General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Fifth Committee

10:00 to 11:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations - Item 149

Support account for peacekeeping operations

Documents: A/72/701, A/72/701/Add.1, A/72/790/Rev.1, A/72/814, A/72/766 and A/72/857

11:00 to 13:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Programme budget for the biennium 2018-2019 - Item 136

Revised estimates relating to the proposed restructuring of the United Nations peace and security pillar

Documents: A/72/772 and A/72/859

15:00 to 18:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus - Item 153

Financing of the United Nations Mission in Liberia - Item 158

Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo - Item 157

Documents: A/72/628, A/72/735, A/72/789/Add.3, A/72/640, /72/640/Corr.1, A/72/839, A/72/622, A/72/718 and A/72/789/Add.4

Links: Website and e-deleGATE Portal

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 10

Executive meeting

State Parties to the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks
Informal consultations – Thirteenth round

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 2

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 2

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 72/72 of 5 December 2018, the thirteenth round of Informal Consultations of States Parties to the Agreement will be held on Tuesday, 22 and Wednesday, 23 May 2018, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 2.

Pursuant to paragraph 56 of the resolution, States, and entities referred to in article 1, paragraph 2 (b), of the Agreement, that are not parties to the Agreement, as well as relevant intergovernmental organizations, institutions, programmes, bodies and specialized agencies, and relevant non-governmental organizations are also invited to attend as observers.

Pursuant to paragraph 55 of resolution 72/72, the thirteenth round of informal consultations will focus on the topic "Science-policy interface".

More information is available on the website of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs. Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit the names of their representatives participating in this event, to the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, by Friday, 18 May 2018.

Link: Website

Contact: DOALOS (doalos@un.org; 917-367-0560)

International Law Commission
Seventieth session

10:00 to 13:00 3409th meeting Conference Room 11

Provisional application of treaties

Protection of the atmosphere

Documents: A/CN.4/707, A/CN.4/718 and A/CN.4/711

Links: Website and Side Events

15:00 to 18:00 Drafting Committee (closed) Conference Room 11

Provisional application of treaties

Links: Website and Side Events

Contact: Secretariat of the International Law Commission (ILC) (6thcommittee@un.org; 212-963-5331)

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

10:00 to 13:00 — 30th plenary meeting [webcast] — Economic and Social Council Chamber

Development Cooperation Forum - Item 5 (c)

Special presentations

Session 4

Interactive panel discussion

Session 5

Interactive panel discussion

15:00 to 18:00 — 31st plenary meeting [webcast] — Economic and Social Council Chamber

Development Cooperation Forum - Item 5 (c)

Session 6

Interactive panel discussion

Session 7

Interactive panel discussion 2

Closing statement by the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs

Closing statement by the President of the Economic and Social Council (the Czech Republic)

Additional information is available on the website of the Economic and Social Council.

There will be no pre-determined list of speakers and participants are requested to refrain from reading prepared statements.

The time limit set for statements is *five minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *three minutes* for statements by individual delegations.

For inclusion in the list of participants, the names of representatives and alternates attending this event should be registered through the ECOSOC e-List of Participants module in e-deleGATE.

Documents: E/2018/55 and E/2018/51

Links: PaperSmart, e-deleGATE Portal, Website, More Info and Provisional programme

Contacts: Department of Economic and Social Affairs – Ms. Caroline Lombardo (lombardoc@un.org) and ECOSOC Affairs Branch, DGACM – Ms. Terri Olvida (olvida@un.org)

15:00 to 18:00 — Informal consultations — Conference Room 8

Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system - Item 12 (c)

Convened by the co-facilitators (Japan and South Africa), on behalf of the Vice-Presidency of the Council (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines)

On the gender mainstreaming draft resolution (under agenda item 12 (c)) of the 2018 session of the Economic and Social Council

Link: e-deleGATE Portal

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
Resumed session

10:00 to 13:00	19th plenary meeting [webcast]	Conference Room 1

New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification - Item 3 (b)

15:00 to 18:00	20th plenary meeting [webcast]	Conference Room 1

New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification - Item 3 (b)

Applications of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council that have merged with non-governmental organizations without such consultative status - Item 3 (c)

Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations in a note verbale to the secretariat of the Committee.

Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the Committee (its procedures, forms and documentation) is available on the website of the NGO Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online Paperless Committee System, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.

Document: E/C.2/2018/1/Rev.1

Link: Website

Contacts: Mr. Alexander Lomaia, Secretary (lomaia@un.org); Mr. Henry Breed, Deputy Secretary (breed@un.org); Ms. Lidija Komatina (komatina@un.org); Mr. Victor Leu (List of Participants) (leu@un.org)

Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund

10:00 to 13:00	Pre-session and informal briefing	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Pre-session

Annual report for 2017 on the evaluation function in UNICEF and management response

Revised evaluation policy of UNICEF

Evaluation reports and management responses - Reducing Stunting in Children under Five years of Age: A comprehensive Evaluation of UNICEF's Strategies and Programme Performance

An informal pre-session information briefing will be held on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its annual session, from 11 to 14 June 2018, combined with an informal briefing.

Links: https://www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_102730.html

https://www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_48248.html

15:00 to 18:00 Informal briefing — Conference Room 6

Office of Internal Audit and Investigations 2017 annual report to the Executive Board

Annual report on the implementation of the UNICEF Gender Action Plan, 2014-2017

Links: UNICEF Executive Board Website and https://uni.cf/2Gs8NnO

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Wednesday, 23 May 2018

10:00 High-level debate — Trusteeship Council Chamber

15:00 High-level debate — Trusteeship Council Chamber

To mark the anniversary of the adoption of the United Nations Convention against Corruption

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 29 March 2018, 3 May 2018 and 17 May 2018, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Wednesday, 23 May 2018

13:15 Informal briefing — Conference Room 6

Wednesday, 23 May 2018

15:00 Informal informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 4

On the review of the Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy

Thursday, 24 May 2018

10:00 90th plenary meeting [webcast] — General Assembly Hall

Report of the Peacebuilding Commission - Item 30

Peacebuilding and sustaining peace - Item 65

Report of the Secretary General on the Peacebuilding Fund - Item 111

Joint debate

Appointment of members of the Board of the 10 Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production Patterns - Item 115 (g)

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 17 May 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Documents: A/72/721-S/2018/83 and A/72/740

Thursday, 24 May 2018

15:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 4

Informal consultations convened by the co-facilitators to lead the review of the arrangements contained in resolution 68/1 entitled "Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolution 61/16 on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council" and its annex

Document: A/RES/68/1

Friday, 25 May 2018

15:00 Informal consultations (closed) Trusteeship Council Chamber

In preparation for the high-level meeting to discuss the gaps and challenges of middle-income countries in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 7 May 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Link: Letter

Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly

Friday, 25 May 2018

11:00 Informal meeting (closed) Conference Room 4

Informal meeting for a presentation of the zero-draft resolution on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

Link: Letter

Fifth Committee

Wednesday, 23 May 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

State Parties to the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks
Informal consultations – Thirteenth round

Wednesday, 23 May 2018

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15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 2

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More information is available on the website of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs. Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit the names of their representatives participating in this event, to the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, by Friday, 18 May 2018.

Link: Website

Contact: DOALOS (doalos@un.org; 917-367-0560)

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-eighth session (4 – 29 June 2018)

Monday, 4 June 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea
Twenty-eighth Meeting (11 – 14 June 2018)

Monday, 11 June 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 1

Documents: SPLOS/317, SPLOS/318, SPLOS/319, SPLOS/320, SPLOS/2018/WP.1, A/72/70/Add.1, A/73/68, SPLOS/361, A/RES/72/73, SPLOS/L.79, SPLOS/2/Rev.4 and SPLOS/263

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 1

Credentials of representatives of States Parties should be transmitted to the Secretariat as soon as possible and no later than 24 hours after the opening of the Meeting, signed

by the Head of State or Government, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, or any person authorized by either of them.

Credentials should cover the period from 11 June 2018 to 14 June 2018 and, to the extent practicable, also thereafter until the convening of the next meeting.

Timely submission of credentials is essential to ensure the efficient work of the Credentials Committee.

Observers are invited to transmit to the Division the names of the representatives who will form part of their delegation as soon as possible.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery. PDF format is preferred. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery. Delegations are kindly reminded to provide 30 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than *one hour* before delivery of the statement.

Documents: SPLOS/L.79, SPLOS/2/Rev.4, SPLOS/263, SPLOS/317, SPLOS/318, SPLOS/319, SPLOS/320, SPLOS/2018/WP.1, A/72/70/Add.1, A/73/68, SPLOS/361 and A/RES/72/73

Links: PaperSmart and Website

Contacts: PaperSmart (papersmart5@un.org) and DOALOS (doalos@un.org; 917-367-0560)

United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea
Nineteenth meeting (18 – 22 June 2018)

Monday, 18 June 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 1

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 1

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit the names of their representatives participating in this event, to the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, by Thursday, 14 June 2018.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery. PDF format is preferred. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery. Delegations are kindly reminded to provide 20 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than *one hour* before delivery of the statement.

Documents: A/AC.259/L.19 and A/73/68

Links: PaperSmart and Website

Contacts: DOALOS (doalos@un.org); Ms. Roxanne Lord (lordr@un.org); PaperSmart (papersmart5@un.org)

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Conference of the States Parties
Eleventh session (12 – 14 June 2018)

Tuesday, 12 June 2018

09:00 to 12:00 [webcast] Conference Room 4

To facilitate the preparation of the list of speakers, which will open for inscription from 22 May 2018 to 4 June 2018, delegations are requested to transmit to the Secretariat, by 17:00 on 4 June 2018, the relevant information, indicating the full name and title of the speaker.

The delivery of each statement is limited to *three minutes*.

Inscriptions shall be sent directly to the secretariat of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities within the above-mentioned time frame and no later than 17:00 on 4 June 2018.

Delegates are requested to submit all statements made by their delegations in accessible MS Word format.

Pursuant to article 34, paragraph 5, of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the necessary quorum for the meeting is two thirds of the States parties.

As there are 177 States parties to the Convention, the quorum is 118 States parties.

In order to avoid the lack of quorum, which may lead to a substantial delay in or the cancellation of the meeting of the States parties, it is imperative for the States parties to be present prior to the meeting.

The credentials of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the opening of the session.

The credentials may be sent to the Secretariat by e-mail, with the original copy sent to the Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

General information on the election to replace 9 members of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities whose terms expire on 31 December 2018 is available on the United Nations Enable website.

For any clarifications on these elections, please see Candiweb, consult the OHCHR guide on treaty body elections or contact OHCHR.

For clarifications on matters not related to the elections, please contact the Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

States parties that have not yet informed the Convention secretariat of the accessibility requirements of delegates are advised to do so immediately, and *no later than 22 May 2018*, in order to facilitate their participation in meetings.

For further information concerning the Conference of States Parties, please contact the Convention secretariat by email or visit the United Nations Enable website.

Documents: CRPD/CSP/2018/1, CRPD/CSP/2018/2, CRPD/CSP/2018/3 and CRPD/CSP/2018/4

Link: Website

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Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Thursday, 24 May 2018

10:00 to 13:00 — Pre-session and informal briefing — Conference Room 2

Annual Report of the Executive Director

In preparation for its annual session (19 and 20 June 2018), an informal pre-session briefing will be held on major issues before the UN-Women Executive Board

Link: UN-Women Website

Contact: UN-Women Executive Board Secretariat (unwsecretaryoftheeb@unwomen.org)

15:00 to 18:00 — Informal briefing — Conference Room 9

Report on the evaluation function of UN-Women, 2017

Management response(s)

Corporate Evaluation of UN-Women's contribution to political participation and leadership

Link: UN-Women Website

Friday, 25 May 2018

10:00 to 13:00 — Informal briefing — Conference Room 2

Report of the internal audit and investigation activities for the period of 1 January to 31 December 2017

Management response(s)

Management response to the JIU reports issued in 2017

Report of the Audit Advisory Committee for the period of 1 January to 31 December 2017

Link: UN-Women Website

Contact: UN-Women Executive Board Secretariat (unwsecretaryoftheeb@unwomen.org)

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission

Wednesday, 23 May 2018

10:00 to 13:00 — Meeting (at the ambassadorial level) — Conference Room 7

Country-specific Configuration on Sierra Leone

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 2374 (2017) concerning Mali

Friday, 25 May 2018

16:30 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 7
	Briefing by the Chair on the visit to Mali	
	Other matters	

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Wednesday, 23 May 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Plenary meeting [webcast]	Economic and Social Council Chamber
15:00 to 18:00	Plenary meeting [webcast]	Economic and Social Council Chamber

Special meeting on "Towards sustainable, resilient and inclusive societies through participation for all"

The special meeting will comprise interactive discussions and a general discussion.

The meeting will be interactive in nature and there will be no pre-determined list of speakers.

The time limit set for statements is *five minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *three minutes* for statements by individual delegations.

For inclusion in the list of participants, the names of representatives and alternates attending this event should be registered through the ECOSOC e-List of Participants module in e-deleGATE.

To circulate statements electronically, see PaperSmart link.

For the programme of work and other related documents, please visit the website.

Links: PaperSmart, e-deleGATE Portal and Website

Contact: Ms. Svenja Rauch – DESA (rauchs@un.org; 212-963-2200)

Tuesday, 5 June 2018

10:00 to 13:00	[webcast]	Conference Room 4

Annual multi-stakeholder forum 3 on science, technology and innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals

Theme: "Science, technology and innovation for sustainable and resilient societies – Focus on SDGs 6, 7, 11, 12 and 15"

The meeting will be interactive in nature and there will be no pre-determined list of speakers.

Member States, observer States, intergovernmental organizations and entities with observer status in the General Assembly or the Economic and Social Council, United Nations system, major groups and other stakeholders, and media are invited to attend.

For participation and seating arrangements, members as well as observer States, intergovernmental organizations and UN specialized agencies and related organizations, are requested to express their interest to attend through the e-List of Participants module on the e-deleGATE portal.

Due to the limited seating capacity, only those who express their interest to attend through the e-deleGATE portal, *by 17:00*, on 1 June 2018, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of the conference room.

All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Overflow room: Conference Room 2

For more details on the STI forum, please contact the Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

Additional information, including the tentative programme, is also available on the website of the STI forum.

Links: PaperSmart, Website, e-deleGATE Portal and https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/content/documents/18033Draft_Programme_STI_Forum_2018_clean_rev3.pdf

Contacts: Mr. Paolo Dua (access to E-List of Participants module) (duap@un.org) and Mr. Wei Liu (DESA/DSD) (liuw@un.org)

Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund

Tuesday, 29 May 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Joint briefing Conference Room 2

Joint informal briefing with the Executive Boards of UNDP, UNFPA, UNICEF and UN-Women

Cost recovery

Link: UNICEF Executive Board Website

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund/ United Nations Office for Project Services
Annual session (4 – 8 June 2018)

Monday, 4 June 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

Kindly note that documents for the UNDP segment of the session are posted on the UNDP website, for the UNOPS segment on the UNOPS website, and for the UNFPA segment on the UNFPA website.

Member States, observers and other organizations attending the session are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead) to the Executive Board secretariat, as early as possible, but *no later than May 25, 2018*.

Delegations with a special interest on any of the UNDP and UNOPS agenda items are kindly requested to communicate their intention to intervene during such items to the Executive Board.

Interventions related to UNFPA items should be communicated to UNFPA.

The annual session 2018 will continue to use the electronic system to identify requests to take the floor.

Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart portal.

Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements by e-mail to the PaperSmart secretariat at least *two hours* in advance of their speaking slot.

The intended agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.

These statements will remain embargoed until delivery of the statement and then posted to the PaperSmart portal.

Document: DP/2018/L.1

Links: UNDP Website, UNFPA Website, UNOPS Website and PaperSmart

Contacts: Executive Board Secretariat (for UNDP and UNOPS): eb.secretariat@undp.org; Ms. Mirey Chaljub (for UNFPA): chaljub@unfpa.org, speakerslist@unfpa.org; and PaperSmart: papersmart4@un.org

Summary of official meetings

Friday, 18 May 2018

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

[archived video]

26th plenary meeting — *Economic and environmental questions: International cooperation in tax matters* – Item 18 (h)

Special meeting on international cooperation in tax matters

Opening of the meeting

The Vice-President of the Council (Tajikistan), opened the meeting and made a statement.

The Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development and Chief Economist made a statement.

The Executive Chairman of the Federal Inland Revenue Services of Nigeria, Babatunde Fowler, delivered a keynote address.

Update on the work of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters

The Co-Chairperson of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters, and Assistant Commissioner, Revenue Authority, Ghana, Eric Nii Yarboi Mensah, and the Co-Chairperson of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters, and Policy Manager, Inland Revenue, New Zealand, Carmel Peters, made statements.

Interactive dialogue "Taxation and the Digitalization of the Economy"

The Council held an interactive dialogue moderated by Eliza Anyangwe, *The Guardian*, who made a statement.

Presentations were made by Aart Roelofsen, Co-Coordinator, Subcommittee on Tax Issues Related to the Digitalization of the Economy; and Deputy Head, International Tax Unit, Ministry of Finance, the Netherlands; Brian Jenn, Deputy International Tax Counsel, Department of the Treasury, the United States of America; Grace Perez-Navarro, Deputy Director, Center for Tax Policy and Administration, Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development; Rajat Bansal, Joint Secretary, Central Board of Direct Taxes, Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance, India; and Aneesa Baig, Director, Indirect Tax, Legal Tax Design, National Treasure, South Africa.

Statements were made by the following lead speakers: Jorge Antonio Deher Rachid, Secretary, Federal Revenue, Brazil; Carlos Protto, Director of International Tax Relations, Ministry of Treasury, Argentina; Bill Sample, Chair, Taxation Committee, United States Council for International Business; and Aleksandr Anatolyevich Smirnov, Deputy Director, Department of Fiscal and Customs Policy, Ministry of Finance, the Russian Federation.

An interactive discussion ensued, during which the panellists responded to the questions posed and the comments made by the representative of Ireland, as well as by the observer for Egypt.

The Executive Chairman of the Federal Inland Revenue Services of Nigeria, Babatunde Fowler, participated in the discussion.

A statement was also made by the representative of the Global Alliance for Tax Justice (civil society).

27th meeting

Economic and environmental questions: International cooperation in tax matters – Item 18 (h)

Special meeting on international cooperation in tax matters

The Council continued its special meeting on international cooperation in tax matters.

Interactive dialogue on "Taxation of official development assistance-funded projects"

The Council held an interactive dialogue moderated by Jacques Sasseville, Inter-Regional Adviser on International Tax Matters in the Capacity Development Unit of the Financing for Sustainable Development Office, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs, who made a statement.

Presentations were made by Titia Stolte-Detring, Deputy Head of Division, International Tax Section, Federal Ministry of Finance, Germany; Elfrieda Stewart Tamba, Commissioner General, Revenue Authority, Liberia; and Christophe Waerzeggers, Senior Counsel, International Monetary Fund.

Statements were made by the following lead speakers: Marc Pecsteen de Buytswerve, Permanent Representative of Belgium to the United Nations; Dang Ngoc Minh, Deputy Director-General, General Department of Taxation, Ministry of Finance, Viet Nam; and Natalia Aristizabal Mora, Vice-Chairperson, Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters.

An interactive discussion ensued, during which the observer for Zambia participated.

The representative of the Overseas Development Institute, a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Council, also participated.

Interactive dialogue on "Strengthening tax capacity in developing countries"

The Council held an interactive dialogue, moderated by the Vice-President (Tajikistan), in which presentations were made by Alma Kanani, Practice Manager, Domestic Revenue Mobilization, Equitable Growth, Finance and Institutions at the World Bank Group; Navid Hanif, Director, Financing for Sustainable Development Office of the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs; Grace Perez-Navarro, Deputy Director, Center for Tax Policy and Administration at the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development; and Christophe Waerzeggers, Senior Counsel, International Monetary Fund.

An interactive discussion ensued, during which the observer for Panama participated.

General discussion

Statements were made by the representatives of Nigeria (on behalf of the African States), South Africa, Mexico, India, Colombia and Ecuador as well as by the observers for Egypt (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Bulgaria (on behalf of the European Union), Brazil and Thailand.

Conclusion of the meeting

The Vice-President of the Council (Tajikistan) made closing remarks.

Monday, 21 May 2018

Security Council

[archived video]

8263rd meeting

The situation in Libya

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Support Mission in Libya (S/2018/429)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of Libya to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Mr. Ghassan Salamé, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Support Mission in Libya, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard briefings by Mr. Salamé (via video-teleconference from Paris) and by His Excellency Olof Skoog, Permanent Representative of Sweden, in his capacity as Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1970 (2011) concerning Libya.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, the United States, France, Equatorial Guinea, Peru, Sweden, Côte d'Ivoire, Kazakhstan, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Kuwait, the Russian Federation, the Netherlands, Ethiopia and China and by the President, speaking in her capacity as the representative of Poland.

The Council heard a statement by representative of Libya.

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

[archived video]

28th and 29th plenary meetings

The summaries of the 26th and 27th plenary meetings of the Economic and Social Council will appear in the next issue of the Journal (No. 2018/100).

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

Resumed session

[archived video]

17th plenary meeting

Opening of the session

The Chair made a statement.

Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat - Item 5

General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non- Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network - Item 8

The Director of the Office for Inter-governmental support and coordination for sustainable development (OISC) of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, the United States and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The representative of Cuba raised a point of order.

The representative of the Observer State of Austria made a statement.

Election of officers - Item 1

It was recalled that at its 2018 regular session, the Committee elected, Ms. Ceren Hande Özgür of Turkey and Mr. Farid Jabrayilov of Azerbaijan, as Vice-Chairs of the Committee, and that Mr. Farid Jabrayilov of Azerbaijan will continue to serve as Rapporteur.

The Committee postponed the election of the remaining members of the bureau to a later stage.

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters - Item 2

Organization of work

The Committee approved its draft programme of work, as contained in Working Paper 1.

Schedule of work

The Committee approved the provisional schedule of work.

Consideration of special reports - Item 7

The Chair made a statement.

The representative of China made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, the Russian Federation, Pakistan, Cuba, Israel and the Islamic Republic of Iran as well as by the representatives of the Observer States of Germany, the European Union and the United Kingdom.

The representative of the United States raised a point of order.

Other related matters - Item 6 (c)

The Chair made a statement.

The Committee approved the list of non-governmental organizations requesting to be heard by the Economic and Social Council during the high-level segment of the 2018 session, as contained in the document E/C.2/2018/CRP.41.

The representative of Cuba made a statement.

General statements were made by the representatives of the Observer States of the European Union, Denmark, Estonia, the United Kingdom, Canada and Australia.

The representatives of China and the Russian Federation raised a point of order.

Statements were made by the representatives of Uruguay, the United States, Greece and Israel as well as by the representatives of the Observer States of Canada, Austria, the United Kingdom and Australia.

The representatives of Cuba, India and the Islamic Republic of Iran posed questions to which the Acting Chief of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) provided clarifications.

New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification – Item 3 (b)

Statements were made by the representatives of India, China, the United States and Pakistan.

The Committee decided to recommend that special consultative status be granted to 4 non-governmental organizations.

18th plenary meeting

New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification - Item 3 (b)

The Committee continued its consideration of this sub-item.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Burundi, the United States, the Russian Federation, Mauritania, Azerbaijan and Cuba.

During the question and answers session the Committee heard statements of the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations: Havtzelet Cultural and

Educational Institutions of HaShomer HaTzair (PPC); Operation Underground Railroad; and Women North Carolina (NC Committee for CSW/CEDAW).

The Committee decided to recommend that special consultative status be granted to 49 non-governmental organizations.

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Other meetings

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Tuesday, 22 May 2018

Informal consultations on the "Third Review Conference of States (RevCon3) to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects" (A/RES/72/57) (organized by the Office for Disarmament Affairs (ODA))

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 4

Link: More information

Contacts: Ms. Sigma Rahman (rahman63@un.org) and Ms. Olga Tegay (tegay@un.org)

Panel discussion entitled "Women and the Origins of the United Nations - a Southern Legacy" (A/RES/72/147) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil, in collaboration with the Permanent Missions of Colombia, Ghana, India, Pakistan and South Africa)

13:15 to 14:30	[webcast]	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Link: More information

Contact: Ms. Marcela Pignanelli Pereira (marcela.pignanelli@itamaraty.gov.br; 212-372-2631)

Event entitled "The Santa Marta Group: Police and Religious Leaders Partnering to Eradicate Modern Slavery by Building Trust in Leadership, Action and Accountability" (A/RES/72/1) (co-organized by the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See and the Santa Marta Group)

13:15 to 14:30 [webcast] Conference Room 7

Link: Registration

Contact: Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See (office@holyseemission.org; 212-370-7885)

Group of 77 (on the ECOSOC Humanitarian Affairs Segment)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

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Forthcoming other meetings

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Dialogue on "Stolen Asset Recovery: Making Progress in International Cooperation for the Return of Proceeds of Corruption" (A/RES/71/208 and A/RES/72/196) (on the occasion of the High-level debate of the General Assembly to mark the Fifteenth Anniversary of the Adoption of United Nations Convention Against Corruption) (co-organized by the United Nations on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)/World Bank Stolen Asset Recovery Initiative (StAR)

Wednesday, 23 May 2018

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 8

Contact: Mr. Shervin Majless (smajlessi@worldbank.org,majlessi@un.org; 202-458-4698)

Dialogue on "Corruption and Wildlife Crime: Sweetening the Deal: Bitter Testimonies on Corruption and Wildlife Crime" (on the occasion of the High-level debate of the United-Nations General Assembly to mark the Fifteenth anniversary of the Adoption of United Nations Convention Against Corruption (A/RES/71/326)) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Germany and the United Kingdom, and the United Nations on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

Wednesday, 23 May 2018

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 7

Contact: Ms. Simone Monasebian (monasebian@un.org; 212-963-5631)

Workshop on the theme "Climate Change and the Paris Agreement: Challenges and Expectations 2018" (organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR))

Thursday, 24 May 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room A

Contact: United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) (nyo@unitar.org; 212-963-9196)

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

Wednesday, 30 May 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Event entitled "Intercultural Dialogue for Peace and Development" (in observance of the World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development (21 May)) (A/RES/57/249) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Colombia, Hungary, Qatar, Senegal, Slovakia, and Vanuatu)

Thursday, 31 May 2018

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 2

Contact: Mr. Rafael Carlo (vanuatu.unmission@gmail.com; 646-647-6459)

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